CITY OF CARLSBAD

PROPOSITION "C" - OPEN SPACE AND TRAILS AD HOC CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES June 9, 2006

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Montgomery called the meeting to order.

Marty Mongomery, Chair, Fred Sandquist, Leonard Martyns, Saundra Cima and Joel Altshul

Absent: Carl Miller and Dennis Villavicencio

Staff Members Present: Mike Grim, Senior Planner

Also Present: Jim Boylan, Facilitator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CHARTED NOTES:

No Minutes or Charted Notes

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Chairperson Montgomery opened this Public Comment portion of the meeting.

Kasey Cinciarelli, 2727 Lyons Ct., Carlsbad, stated her wish for the committee to consider the amount of existing resources, currently being dedicated by the City, between open space and trails, in terms of both staff allocation and money. In other words, what is the City doing now that can be augmented? She asked that the committee not get too distracted by trails that are already getting some resources while the few remaining natural lands are being permitted for development at an alarming rate. She asked if staff could possibly come back with some information about the allocation of resources. Ms. Cinciarelli stated that time is of the essence regarding the acquisition of natural lands and added that there is no staff dedicated to that task. Also, nobody is looking for matching funds. She also stated that she feels that this has been an area of neglect for several years, and considering the amount of effort she has put into the area of acquisitions, she feels as if she's made little or no headway. Ms. Cinciarelli pointed out that 18 month ago, Council directed Staff to come forward with a full presentation on the state of open space in our community. Unfortunately, that just fell right through the cracks. No presentation was ever brought back to Council and she further requested that the previously mentioned presentation now be made.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Chairperson Montgomery closed the Public Comment portion of this meeting.

Chairperson Montgomery suggested that a full report of the state of open space, throughout the City of Carlsbad, would be very helpful to the committee..

Mr. Grim stated that the HMP annual report will soon be available. In addition to many other items, that report will discuss the status of open space acquisitions. He added that there is staff dedicated to locating matching funds.

Under the guidance of Facilitator, Jim Boylan, the following topics were discussed:

COMMITTEE WORK PLAN AND FINAL PRODUCT

- Committee to plan public outreach effort to enhance front-end input for the Committee's consideration in establishing the process architecture for the identification and prioritization processes.
- 2. Staff to arrange site visits
- 3. Staff to research other models for open space acquisition
- 4. Staff to provide an updated and refined map of that presented in the HMP.

 Discussion of this map was discussed following the next agenda item.

DISCUSSION OF ELIGIBILITY AND PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA FOR HABITAT OPEN SPACE

- 1. Mitigation land potential
- 2. Biological value
- Cultural value
- 4. Expands existing trails and/or creates new ones
- 5. Availability not obviously unavailable
- 6. Within the City limits and/or contiguous therewith
- Watershed value
- 8. Not already in "the pipeline" (via development agreements?)

Following the above discussions, a motion to approve the Work Plan, as presented, was made by Member Martyns and seconded by Member Sandquist. By a unanimous vote, the aforementioned Work Plan was approved.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

Chairperson Montgomery opened Public Testimony.

Seeing no one wishing to give testimony, Chairperson Montgomery closed the Public Testimony portion of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Mr. Montgomery reminded the members that the next meeting of this committee will be at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, June 23, 2006, and adjourned the meeting.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Carol A. Cruise, Minutes Clerk